

Today, our youth are exposed to many aspects of life that have potentially negative repercussions on their social decisions. Military and civilian personnel from NAS Jacksonville have become role models to local youth through teaching, coaching, and offering advice. Local families can feel more confident about the decisions their children are making, NAS Jacksonville personnel are given the opportunity to discuss how they contribute to the national security of the United States and society is strengthened by the strong community bonds developed.

Mr. Speaker, in closing I would like to commend the volunteers of the Navy Community Service Program and thank the military and civilian personnel at NAS Jacksonville for their tireless commitment to their local community.

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HONORING BOY SCOUT TROOP 76  
OF WILMINGTON ISLAND

**HON. JACK KINGSTON**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 1, 2001*

Mr. KINGSTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a great achievement by Boy Scout Troop 76 of Wilmington Island, which is in my district. I believe that the Boy Scouts of America play a wonderful role in the life of many young men throughout our nation. The life lessons and morals taught by this organization should be heralded daily by all of us. What happened at a recent outing of Troop 76 to the Delta Plantation in Hardeeville, South Carolina is proof of this.

In late March, Boy Scout Troop 76 went on a weekend camping trip to the Delta Plantation, a privately owned 1600 acre tract of land in Hardeeville, South Carolina just outside of Savannah. The area is completely unspoiled and teeming with wildlife.

During the weekend, the owner of the property approached the Scout Troop and informed them that an American Bald Eagle was injured and stuck in the marsh nearby. One of the troop leaders, Will Jarvis, and several of the older Scouts went to help.

Upon their arrival at the scene, they found a baby American Bald Eagle in the marsh struggling to escape. Disregarding their own safety, Will and several of the Scouts went into the alligator and snake invested water to help the scared animal. The eagle was wrapped in a blanket and rushed to the only veterinarian who is allowed to treat endangered species. The eagle is currently under the doctor's care where it will be nursed until it can be safely released.

I believe that this is a perfect example of what Scouting is all about. If it were not for these Boy Scouts' quick response and disregard for their own personal safety, we would have lost yet another of an already endangered species. I applaud Boy Scout Troop 76 for their bravery and I applaud the Boy Scouts of America for what they teach.

TRIBUTE TO PROFESSOR HELLE  
PORS DAM

**HON. TOM LANTOS**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 1, 2001*

Mr. LANTOS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a most talented and remarkable Danish scholar—Professor Helle Porsdam. Professor Porsdam is affiliated with the University of Southern Denmark, Odense and is a well known scholar and commentator on American society. Her most recent publication is *Legally Speaking: Contemporary American Culture and the Law*, which offers an insightful analysis of American culture and discusses the social impact of law in the United States.

In addition to her outstanding scholarship, Dr. Porsdam is known for her involvement in human rights. She was instrumental in the creation of the European Master's Degree in Human Rights and Democratization in 1997. Some 90 students from the 15 European Union partner universities earn this Masters degree after a year of intensive study.

This summer, Dr. Porsdam will be one of the Danish Speakers at the Humanity in Action Program (HIA), which conducts two educational programs that run simultaneously in both Denmark and the Netherlands. Some 20 students from the United States participate together with 10 students from both host countries. HIA has been established in association with Johns Hopkins University and in cooperation with the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum. The goal is to strengthen the participants' commitment to democratic values and broaden their knowledge of the resistance struggle against human rights violations today and in the past. A special focus of the program is the protection of European Jews during World War II.

Mr. Speaker, Dr. Porsdam is an associate Professor of American Studies at Odense, and she holds an M.A. in English from the University of Copenhagen and a Ph.D. in American Studies from Yale University. She teaches American history, and her research interests include American intellectual history, law and American culture, and literature. In 1992–93 she was an American Council of Learned Societies Visiting Scholar and a Liberal Arts Fellow at the Harvard University Law School. She is currently involved in a research Project on Danish legalization as a form of Americanization. In this project Dr. Porsdam explains how the U.S. has exported a tendency to the rest of the world to define major issues in terms of rights.

Dr. Porsdam is an extraordinary scholar and ardent defender of human rights and I urge all my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to her today.

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TRIBUTE TO DRINA COLLINS

**HON. ZOE LOFGREN**

OF CALIFORNIA

**HON. MICHAEL M. HONDA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 1, 2001*

Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, we rise in gratitude to Drina Collins, who is leaving the

Pacific Gas and Electric Company after more than twenty years of service.

Drina Collins has helped the company and the community through countless crises: floods, mudslides, fires and more. Ms. Collins has been the tirelessly cheerful and efficient public face of PG&E for San Jose and Santa Clara County since long before the area was known as the Silicon Valley. During her tenure in the Government Relations department of Pacific Gas and Electric, Ms. Collins managed the public affairs programs, answering questions from customers and elected officials alike with accuracy and enthusiasm.

A glance at Drina Collins' résumé reveals a lifelong commitment to Santa Clara County. Before beginning her job at Pacific Gas & Electric she served as the Chief of Staff for the Honorable Dom Cortese, a Santa Clara County Supervisor. She is currently the Chairperson of the Santa Clara County Redistricting Committee 2000 and the Silicon Valley Economic Development Corporation. Ms. Collins serves on the board of the San Jose Conservation Corps and the Guadalupe River Park and Gardens Corporation.

Drina Collins has a knowledge of and love for Santa Clara County that is unmatched, and we know she will be much missed at PG&E. Moreover, we want to say that we are both grateful to her for her caring friendship and wise counsel through our careers, which we are confident will continue through the years. Our families wish her nothing but the best in the next chapter of her life.

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RECOGNIZING JOHN GOODE

**HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 1, 2001*

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize John Goode for receiving the Friend of Fowler Award. The Fowler Chamber of Commerce will present the award to John at Fowler's annual Community Recognition Banquet.

While Mr. Goode currently lives in the Bay Area, he remains involved in Fowler affairs. John regularly contributes to the Fowler High School and Sutter Middle School bands. He has also recently endowed a scholarship in memory of his parents to the University of California, for which preference is given to Fowler High graduates. He plans to host the 40th reunion of the Fowler High School Class of 1962 in conjunction with the 2002 Fowler Fall festival.

John credits many of the values he learned growing up in the Fowler-area as guides for his career. He has been honored as a "Forbes Honor Roll" winner for his skills in risk management. He has managed the Smith Barney Fundamental Value fund for 10 years. John is currently the chairman and chief investment officer of Davis Skaggs Investment Management.

Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize John Goode for his Friend of Fowler Award presented by the Fowler Chamber of Commerce. I urge my colleagues to join me in wishing John Goode many more years of continued success.